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Milk Production in Pennsylvania Up 0.4 Percent in July

HARRISBURG, PA, August 18, 2009 - - Milk production in Pennsylvania during July 2009 totaled 894 million pounds, 0.4 percent above last July's production of 890 million pounds, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (USDA/NASS). The number of milk cows in the state during the month averaged 545,000 head, unchanged from June, and 1,000 less than July 2008.

Production per cow averaged 1,640 pounds in July, up 10 pounds from June's production per cow and 10 pounds more than July 2008 of 1,630 pounds.

Milk production in the 23 states surveyed during July 2009 totaled 14.9 billion pounds, up 0.1 percent compared to production in these same states during July 2008. June revised production, at 14.8 billion pounds, was up 0.1 percent from June 2008. The June revision represented an increase of 34 million pounds or 0.2 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major states averaged 1,769 pounds for July, 25 pounds above July 2008.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major states was 8.40 million head, 115,000 head less than July 2008, and 34,000 head less than June 2009.

MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION

Item	Unit	Pennsylvania			23 States		
		July 2008	June 2009	July 2009	July 2008	June 2009	July 2009
Milk Cows	Thous.	546	545	545	8,515	8,434	8,400
Milk Per Cow	Lbs.	1,630	1,630	1,640	1,744	1,752	1,769
Milk Production	Mil. Lbs.	890	888	894	14,848	14,775	14,858

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